MINUTES

The Town of Manteo Board of Commissioners held their Recessed June 16, 2021 meeting at 5:00 p.m. at 407 Budleigh Street, Manteo, NC and via teleconference.

The following members were present:

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Mayor Bobby Owens

Mayor Pro-Tem Betty Selby Commissioner Darrell Collins Commissioner Christine Walker Commissioner Jason Borland Commissioner Richie Burke

The following members were absent:

Commissioner Eddie Mann

Also present at the meeting were:

Town Manager James Ayers
Town Attorney Ben Gallop
IT Director Carl Woody

Town Planner Melissa Dickerson Town Clerk Jamie Whitley

Mayor Bobby Owens called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Town Manager Ayers verified that there was a quorum by acknowledging for the record that: Mayor Owens, Commissioners Burke, Walker, Borland and Collins were present. Mayor Pro-Tem Betty Selby entered the meeting at 5:02 p.m. Commission Mann was absent.

SUBJECT: Adoption of Agenda as presented or amended

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Borland and seconded by Commissioner Walker to approve the agenda and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Betty Selby and Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

SUBJECT: Adoption of the items on the Consent Agenda as presented or amended

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Burke to approve the Consent Agenda with the following items: Budget Amendment #2 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget and NC811 Tailgate Wrap Grant and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Betty Selby and Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

SUBJECT: Department Head Report

The Department Head written reports were given to the Board and are available on our website at manteonc.gov for the general public to review. Next month, the department head repots will be given in person.

SUBJECT: Presentation - Briefing on Planning & Zoning - Melissa Dickerson

The Board had requested at their last meeting to have a learning session on planning and zoning.

Zoning Ordinance

The zoning ordinance is the direct outgrowth of an intensive and comprehensive long-range planning process that began in 1976 with the adoption of the town's first zoning ordinance. The current zoning ordinance was adopted on September 14, 2005.

Comprehensive Development Code

In 2005, a new planning initiative resulted in adoption of the Comprehensive Development Code, comprised of five documents:

- The 2005 Manteo Plan Update
- The 2005 Design Guidelines: The Manteo Way of Building
- The CAMA Land Use Plan
- The proposed Historic District Ordinance
- The 2005 Manteo Zoning Ordinance

These plans were developed with extensive citizen input solicited through surveys, charrettes, workshops, and public hearings, as well as the involvement of representatives from various community organizations and other governmental jurisdictions serving on task forces and steering committees.

The Comprehensive Development Code provides a guide for decision-making based upon priorities identified by the community and adopted by the Manteo Board of Commissioners.

Zoning Districts and Map

The Town has 7 zoning districts. Three of the districts are strictly residential districts and 4 of the districts are business districts. It is important to note that residential uses are allowed in the business districts. The (proposed) zoning map shows the districts and where they are located around town.

B-1 Village Business District

The B-1 Village Business District is located downtown. It spans from Fernando Street to Ananias Dare and includes Festival Park.

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There are two distinct regulations for dimensional requirements in the B-1 District.

- The first is Commercial use and mixed use residential above commercial. Those requirements are show here.
- The second is single family residences and those requirements are shown here.

Uses in the B-1 Village Business District are approved by one of 3 processes:

- Staff approved: Single-family detached residences and duplexes in existing residences.
- Planning Board approved: Home occupations, temporary structures used in connection with a permanent building or for some non-recurring purpose and parking lots.
- Board of Commissioners approved: Conditional uses. There are 28 conditional uses that
 can be permitted in the B-1 Village Business District. That list of uses can be found in
 section 7-5 of the zoning ordinance.

Affordable Housing

The Town of Manteo has worked on affordable housing for decades.

In 1982 the Town of Manteo Board of Commissioners voted in favor of a property exchange to sell Town owned property to Mr. John Wellons for low income, elderly and handicapped housing if they obtained 202 funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Today, we have Harbourtowne and Bay Tree because of the Town conducted this land exchange in 1982.

In 2004, The Town passed its Affordable Housing Ordinance in the Code of Ordinances and later passed the inclusionary housing ordinance in 2005.

Those ordinances offer density bonuses and state that "shall be provided equal to one market rate unit or lot for each affordable housing unit or lot. Under no circumstances may a single-family lot contain less than 6,000 square feet unless approved by both the planning board and the town Board of Commissioners."

The inclusionary/affordable housing ordinance does not include rentals.

20-Year Plan

The 20-year plan working group had a subcommittee that reviewed housing. The subcommittee noted the following:

- The previous community survey from 2005-2007 results had strong advocacy for a lower density.
- Housing above commercial, which is a big incentive in the ordinance by way of additional lot coverage.
- That the 2005 Plan update recognized the lack of land available to be able to developed.
- The issue of short-term rentals and how they were impacting housing stock.

Essential Housing

On October 7, 2020 Town Manager Ayers presented to you all policy options for essential housing.

Comprehensive Plan and Chapter 160D

A comprehensive plan is required by the 160D legislation, much like the zoning ordinance update you all are considering this evening.

The following is included in the text of the new Chapter 160D and states comprehensive plans "may address" those things listed. Those topics are typical for a comprehensive plan and include:

- Community Vision
- Pattern of Desired Growth
- Economic Development
- Services
- Housing
- Open Space
- Protection of natural resources
- Etc.

The Town's Planning Department Budget for 2021-2022 includes funding for a comprehensive plan and we will begin soliciting assistance for that work in the new fiscal year.

PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT: Public Hearing and Consideration of Zoning Map Update

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Borland to open the Public Hearing on the Zoning Map Update and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Selby, Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Walker to close the Public Hearing on the Zoning Map Update and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Selby, Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Borland and seconded by Commissioner Walker to approve the updated Zoning Map and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Selby, Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

SUBJECT: Public Hearing and Consideration of Chapter 160D

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Collins to open the Public Hearing on the Chapter 160D Update and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Selby, Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Borland to close the Public Hearing on the Chapter 160D Update and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Selby, Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Borland and seconded by Commissioner Burke to approve the ordinance revisions for Chapter 160D update and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Selby, Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Members of the public are invited to address the Board of Commissioners on any topic. Public Comment is not intended to require the Board to answer any impromptu questions or to take any action on items brought up during the public comment period. Speakers will address all the comments to the Board as a whole and not one individual Commissioner. Discussions between speakers and members of the audience will not be allowed. Time limits are 3 minutes per person or 5 minutes per group. Please identify yourself and your location so that your statements can be recorded.

Michael Smith, East Lake, NC: He just came to the meeting to learn.

NEW BUSINESS

There is no new business.

MAYOR'S/COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Walker: She announced that there will be a Cemetery Board Meeting tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Collins: He invited everyone to the Juneteenth Celebration at the Pea Island Cookhouse on Saturday, June 19th at 5:00 p.m. Tshombe Selby will be there to entertain the audience.

Mayor Pro-Selby: There will also be an event for the kids at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 19th. She thanked the Town of Manteo for its help with the Homegrown Art and Fashion Show. She stated that the rain didn't hold up much. She congratulated the Town Clerk on her NCCMC designation and the Town Manager on his ICMA-CM designation. She thanked the Mayor for coming to the Homegrown event.

Mayor Owens: He stated that he was planning to go to the Juneteenth Celebration. He loves to hear Tshombe sing. Mayor Owens stated that the Homegrown Art and Fashion Show should be an annual event.

Commissioner Borland: He stated that the realtor association asked to keep the zoom going. There are a lot of overlapping meetings. He stated that he doesn't know the impact or restrictions for doing a live zoom or doing YouTube and still being able to record. He said this is something to think about.

There being no further business to come before the Board or other persons to be heard a motion was made by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Borland and the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m. and was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Pro-Tem Selby, Commissioners Burke, Borland, Walker, and Collins. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioner Mann. **Motion carried.**

This the 16th day of June 2021.

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Whitley, Town Cle

Bobby Owens Mayor

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Town of Manteo Budget Amendment No. 2 Fiscal Year 2020-2021

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021.

GENERAL FUND

The following revenues are decreased in the General Fund:

10-3991-9910 Fund Balance Appropriated General Fund

\$120,376

The following revenues are increased in the General Fund:

10-3834-8865 CAMA Grant Boardwalk

\$95,376

10-3839-8900 Miscellaneous

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\$25,000

This portion of the budget amendment is necessary to record Grant Funds from the completion of the CAMA Boardwalk Project from Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and Miscellaneous Revenues received in Fiscal Year 2020-2021. In order to record the revenue received we are reducing the budgeted Fund Balance Appropriated in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget.

WATER & SEWER FUND

The following revenues are decreased in the Water and Sewer Fund:

60-3991-9910 Fund Balance Appropriated W & S Fund

\$215,000

The following revenues are increased in the Water and Sewer Fund:

60-3839-5100 ARP Federal Funds

\$215,000

This portion of the budget amendment is necessary to record American Rescue Plan funds that are scheduled to be received prior to June 30, 2021. This amendment will record the revenue we expect to receive.

This the 16th day of June, 2021.

Bobby Owens, Mayor



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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE AND TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF MANTEO, NORTH CAROLINA TO CONFORM TO G.S. CHAPTER 160D

ZTA-21-02

ARTICLE I. Purpose(s) and Authority.

WHEREAS, pursuant to prior versions of N.C.G.S. § 160A-381, the Town of Manteo (the "Town") was authorized to enact and amend ordinances regulating the zoning and development of land within its jurisdiction and specifically the location and use of buildings, structures and land. Pursuant to this authority and the additional authority granted by prior versions of N.C.G.S. Chap. 160A, Art. 19, the Town has adopted a comprehensive zoning ordinance (the "Town's Zoning Ordinance") and has also codified other ordinance provisions Town in the Town's Code of Ordinances (the "Town Code"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 160A-174, the Town may enact and amend ordinances which define, prohibit, regulate, or abate acts, omissions, or conditions, detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of its citizens and the peace and dignity of the city, and may define and abate nuisances within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly adopted 2019 N.C. Sess. Law 111 to clarify and change the land-use regulatory laws of the State, including the recodification of many existing land-use regulatory laws in the a newly created N.C.G.S. Chap. 160D pursuant to 2019 N.C. Sess. Law 111, Part II; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 2020 N.C. Sess. Law 25, the town must amend its land-use and development ordinances to conform to N.C.G.S. Chap. 160D on or before July 1, 2021 and N.C.G.S. Chap. 160D applies to the Town's land-use and development regulation decisions made on or after the earlier of (1) the effective date of the Town's amendments to local development regulations to conform to the provisions of N.C.G.S. Chap. 160D; or (2) July 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to amend its land-use and development ordinances to conform to N.C.G.S. Chap. 160D as provided in this ordinance amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Town further finds that in accordance with the findings above it is in the interest of and not contrary to the public's health, safety, morals and general welfare for the Town to amend the Town's Zoning Ordinance and Town Code of Ordinances as stated below.

ARTICLE II. Construction.

For purposes of this ordinance amendment, underlined words (<u>underline</u>) shall be considered as additions to existing Town Code language and strikethrough words (<u>strikethrough</u>) shall be considered deletions to existing language. Any portions of the adopted Town Code which are not repeated herein, but are instead replaced by an ellipses ("...") shall remain as they currently exist within the Town Code.

ARTICLE III. Amendment of Zoning Ordinance

 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Board of Commissioners of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, that the Town's Zoning Ordinance be amended as follows:

PART 1. That Sec. 1-2. Authority. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the authority contained in <u>Chapter 160D</u>, <u>prior Article</u> 19, Chapter 160A; Article 4, Chapter 113A; and Article 21, Chapter 143 of the North Carolina General Statutes. Under those provisions, the Board of Commissioners of Manteo hereby designates the Manteo Planning and Zoning Board as the planning agency to prepare, amend, supplement, or change a zoning plan showing proposed district boundaries, and to recommend procedures by which the zoning regulations and restrictions and the boundaries of the zoning districts shall be determined, established, and enforced, for final adoption by the Board of Commissioners. In doing so, the character of each district and its peculiar suitability for particular uses should be considered, with a view to conserving the value of buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of land throughout the town.

(b) ...

PART 2. That Sec. 1-5. Intent. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

 (c) The intent of the zoning ordinance, in regulating the permitting process as specified in Article III and elsewhere throughout this document, is to:

Provide for an orderly, timely, and fair review of permits for building, zoning, subdivision, special conditional use, occupancy, access, stormwater, sign, and other such permits required by the town;

When amending or rescinding a previously issued <u>special conditional</u> use permit, provide for the same public involvement and review as when the permit was first issued, to include planning board approval, a public hearing before the Board of Commissioners, and a five-sixths majority of that board, to ensure that those citizens affected by the change have the opportunity for input.

PART 3. That **Sec. 1-6. Jurisdiction.** of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) This ordinance shall be effective throughout the town's planning jurisdiction. Such planning jurisdiction may be modified from time to time in accordance with <u>Article 2</u>, <u>Chapter 160D of the North Carolina General Statutes</u> G.S. 160A-360.

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PART 4. That Sec. 1-12. Fees. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) Reasonable fees sufficient to cover the costs of administration, inspection, publication of notice and similar matters may be charged to applicants for building permits, zoning permits, sign permits, special conditional use permits, subdivision plat approval, zoning amendments, variances, appeals, other administrative relief, and site plan review. The amount of the fees charged shall be as set forth in the town's budget or as established by the town commissioners filed in the office of the town clerk.

PART 5. That the Zoning Ordinance, Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended by adding a section, to be numbered 1-19, which section reads as follows:

Sec. 1-19. - Conflicts with State law authority and procedures

(a) Applicability of State Law: Where any portion of this ordinance or the Town Code of the Town of Manteo conflicts with, contradicts or is otherwise inconsistent with the authority, standards or procedures provided by the North Carolina General Statutes, in particular, N.C.G.S. Chap. 160D, as applicable and amended from time to time, such regulations shall be applied only in a manner consistent with the authority, standards and procedures provided by the General Statutes. Town ordinance provisions which supplement and provide greater due process and other protections than the statutory minimum requirements are not preempted by this subparagraph. The terminology, definitions, and procedures of N.C.G.S. Chap. 160D shall apply as if they have been incorporated within this ordinance and the Town Code of the Town of Manteo.

(b) Remedies: Any person or entity aggrieved by the application of town development regulations may, within the time period for an appeal from said application of regulations, request an administrative determination of whether the application of town regulations conflicts with, contradicts or is otherwise inconsistent with the authority, standards or procedures provided by the North Carolina General Statutes. Upon such request, town staff shall investigate the application of the town regulations, may consult with the town attorney as needed and shall issue a written determination within a reasonable time. The receipt by the town of a request for such a determination shall cause the application of town development regulations not to be a final appealable administrative decision until the town staff issues the requested determination. If town staff concludes that the application of the town's regulations exceeded the town's authority or did not follow statutory standards or procedures, town staff or the appropriate decision making body shall modify the application of the town's regulations to apply the statutory standards and procedures in the manner required by subparagraph (a) of this section. Following such action, an aggrieved party may appeal the town staff's determination and/or the final resulting decision of town staff or the decision making body in the same manner as other appeals of decisions from the town staff or the decision making body.

PART 6. That the Zoning Ordinance, Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended by adding a section, to be numbered 1-20, which section reads as follows:

Sec. 1-20. - Conflicts of Interest

- (a) Board of Commissioners.-- A commissioner shall not vote on any legislative decision regarding a development regulation where the outcome of the matter being considered is reasonably likely to have a direct, substantial, and readily identifiable financial impact on the member. A commissioner shall not vote on any zoning amendment if the landowner of the property subject to a rezoning petition or the applicant for a text amendment is a person with whom the commissioner has a close familial, business, or other associational relationship.
- (b) Appointed Boards -- Members of appointed boards shall not vote on any advisory or legislative decision regarding a development regulation where the outcome of the matter being considered is reasonably likely to have a direct, substantial, and readily identifiable financial impact on the member. An appointed board member shall not vote on any zoning amendment if the landowner of the property subject to a rezoning petition or the applicant for a text amendment is a person with whom the member has a close familial, business, or other associational relationship.
- (c) Administrative Staff.-- No staff member shall make a final decision on an administrative decision if the outcome of that decision would have a direct, substantial, and readily identifiable financial impact on the staff member or if the applicant or other person subject to that decision is a person with whom the staff member has a close familial, business, or other associational relationship. If a staff member has a conflict of interest under this section, the decision shall be assigned to the supervisor of the staff person or such other staff person as may be designated by the development regulation or other ordinance. No staff member shall be financially interested or employed by a business that is financially interested in a development subject to regulation unless the staff member is the owner of the land or building involved. No staff member or other individual or an employee of a company contracting with the town to provide staff support shall engage in any work that is inconsistent with his or her duties or with the interest of the town, as determined by the town manager and Board of Commissioners.
- (d) Quasi-Judicial Decisions.--A member of any board exercising quasi-judicial functions shall not participate in or vote on any quasi-judicial matter in a manner that would violate affected persons' constitutional rights to an impartial decision maker. Impermissible violations of due process include, but are not limited to, a member having a fixed opinion prior to hearing the matter that is not susceptible to change, undisclosed ex parte communications, a close familial, business, or other associational relationship with an affected person, or a financial interest in the outcome of the matter.
- (e) Resolution of Objection.-- If an objection is raised to a commissioner or board member's participation at or prior to the hearing or vote on a particular matter and that commissioner or member does not recuse himself or herself, the remaining members of the board shall by majority vote rule on the objection.
- (f) Familial Relationship.-- For purposes of this section, a "close familial relationship" means a spouse, parent, child, brother, sister, grandparent, or grandchild. The term includes the step, half, and in-law relationships.

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PART 7. That Sec. 2-1. Definitions of basic terms. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Building. Any structure <u>used</u> or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or <u>occupancy</u>, enclosed and isolated by exterior walls constructed or used for residence, business, industry, or public purposes.

Conditional use permit. A special use permit as defined by G.S. 160D-102. A permit issued by the town commissioners that authorizes the recipient to make use of property in accordance with the requirements of this ordinance as well as any additional requirements imposed by the town commissioners.

Developer. A person who is responsible for any undertaking that requires a zoning permit or a special conditional use permit.

 <u>Dwelling.</u> A building that contains one or two dwelling units used, intended or cesigned to be used, rented, leased, let or hired out to be occupied for living purposes. NCSBC OR Any building, structure, manufactured home, or mobile home, or part thereof, used and occupied for human habitation or intended to be so used, and includes any outhouses and appurtenances belonging thereto or usually enjoyed therewith. For the purposes of Article 12 of this Chapter, the term does not include any manufactured home, mobile home, or recreational vehicle, if used solely for a seasonal vacation purpose. NCGS 160D-102(15).

Dwelling unit. A single unit providing complete, independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation. One room, or rooms connected together, constituting a separate, independent housekeeping establishment for one owner occupancy, or rental or lease, and physically separated from any other rooms or dwelling units which may be in the same structure, and containing independent cooking and sleeping facilities for a single family.

<u>Sleeping unit.</u> A room or space in which people sleep, which can also include permanent provisions for living, eating, and either sanitation or kitchen facilities but not both. Such rooms and spaces that are also part of a dwelling unit are not sleeping units.

Special use permit. A permit issued to authorize development or land uses ir. a particular zoning district upon presentation of competent, material, and substantial evidence establishing compliance with one or more general standards requiring that judgment and discretion be exercised as well as compliance with specific standards. The term includes permits previously referred to as conditional use permits or special exceptions.

Subdivision. Any division of a tract or parcel of land into two or more lots, building sites, or other divisions; for the purpose, whether immediate or future, of sale or building development, including any division of land involving the dedication of a new street or a change in existing streets; provided, that the following shall not be included within this definition, nor shall they be subject to the regulations prescribed by of this ordinance:

(5) The division of a tract into parcels in accordance with the terms of a probated will or in accordance with intestate succession under Chapter 29 of the General Statutes.

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Use, special conditional. A special conditional use is a use that would not be appropriate generally or without restriction throughout a particular zoning district but which, if controlled as to number, area, location, or relation to the neighborhood, would preserve the intent of this ordinance to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare. Specific provisions are made for conditional uses which may be permitted in certain zones and the procedures for application are set out in of this ordinance.

- PART 8. That Article III of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby renamed DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS AND FINAL PLAT APPROVAL.
- PART 9. That Article III, Part I. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby renamed BUILDING, ZONING AND SPECIAL USE PERMITS AND OTHER DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS.
- PART 10. That Sec. 3-1. Purpose and intent. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo,
 North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
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 - (c) The intent of the zoning ordinance, in regulating the permitting process as specified in this article and elsewhere throughout this document, is to:
 - Provide for an orderly, timely, and fair review of permits for building, zoning, subdivision, <u>special conditional</u> use, occupancy, access, stormwater, sign, and other such permits required by the town;
 - (2) Involve all interested parties, including owners, developers, adjoining property owners, along with town staff, in discussion, planning, and review prior to the commencement of site design in order to provide planning assistance and guidance that will result in a project that can be completed in the most timely and cost-effective manner possible, with the least impact on neighboring properties, and in keeping with the intent of the Comprehensive Development Code; and
 - (3) When amending or reseinding a previously issued special conditional use permit, provide for the same public involvement and review as when the permit was first issued, to include planning board approval, a public hearing before the Board of Commissioners, and a five sixths majority of that board, to ensure that those citizens affected by the change have the opportunity for input.
- PART 11. That Sec. 3-3. Staff consultation after application submittal. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
 - (a) Upon receipt of a formal application for a zoning or <u>special conditional</u> use permit, or minor plat approval, the administrator shall review the application and confer with the applicant to ensure that he understands the administrator's interpretation of the applicable requirements of this ordinance, that he has submitted all of the information that he intends to submit, and that the application represents precisely and completely what he proposes to do.
- 42 (b) If the application is for a <u>special eonditional</u> use permit, the administrator shall place the application on the agenda of the Planning and Zoning Board and the town commissioners when the applicant indicates that the application is as complete as he intends to make it. However, as provided in section 3-7 and if the administrator believes that the application is

- incomplete, he shall reject the application and inform the applicant of the reasons for the 1 2 incompleteness. 3
 - PART 12. That Sec. 3-4. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
 - Sec. 3-4. Development approvals Permits required and determinations.

8 Development Approvals -- No person shall commence or proceed with development without first 9 securing any required development approval from the town if the town has jurisdiction over the site of the development. A development approval shall be in writing and may contain a provision 10 requiring the development to comply with all applicable State and local laws. 11

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- The use made of property may not be changed except in accordance with and pursuant to 13 14 one of the following development approvals permits: 15
 - A zoning permit issued by the administrator; (1)
 - A zoning permit issued by the Planning and Zoning Board; or (2)
- 17 A special conditional use permit issued by the town commissioners. (3)
- 18 Development approvals Zoning permits, sign permits, demolition permits, and special 19 conditional I use permits are issued under this ordinance only when a review of the 20 application submitted, including the plans submitted, indicates that the development will 21 comply with the provisions of this ordinance if completed as proposed. Such plans and 22 applications as are finally approved are incorporated into any development permit issued and 23 all development shall occur strictly in accordance with such approved plans and applications.
- 24 A development approval zoning permit, sign permit or special conditional use permit-shall 25 be issued in the name of the applicant (except that applications submitted by an agent shall 26 be issued in the name of the principal) and shall identify the property involved and the 27 proposed use. The development permit shall incorporate the plans submitted and shall 28 contain any special conditions or requirements lawfully imposed by the permit-issuing 29 authority. All special conditional use permits shall be recorded in the Dare County Registry after execution by the record owner as provided in section 3-20. 30
- A development approval shall be in writing and may contain a provision requiring the 31 development to comply with all applicable State and local laws. A local government may 32 33 issue development approvals in print or electronic form. Any development approval issued 34 exclusively in electronic form shall be protected from further editing once issued. 35
 - Unless provided otherwise by law, all rights, privileges, benefits, burdens, and obligations created by development approvals run with the land.
- Determinations Upon receiving a written application providing the applicable facts, information 37 and related ordinance provisions the zoning administrator may issue a determination. The 38 decision whether or not to issue a determination is within the sole discretion of the zoning 39 40 administrator who may consult with the town manager and town attorney on the matter.
- 41 If the zoning administrator issues a determination, the zoning administrator shall give 42 written notice to the owner of the property that is the subject of the determination and to the 43 party who sought the determination, if different from the owner. The written notice shall be delivered by personal delivery, electronic mail, or by first-class mail. The notice shall be 44 45 delivered to the last address listed for the owner of the affected property on the county tax

abstract and to the address provided in the application or request for a determination if the party seeking the determination is different from the owner.

(b) It is conclusively presumed that all persons with standing to appeal have constructive notice of a determination from the date a sign providing notice that a determination has been made is prominently posted on the property that is the subject of the determination, provided the sign remains on the property for at least 10 days. The sign shall contain the words "Zoning Decision" or "Subdivision Decision" or similar language for other determinations in letters at least 6 inches high and shall identify the means to contact a local government staff member for information about the determination. Posting of signs is not the only form of constructive notice. Any such posting is the responsibility of the landowner, applicant, or person who sought the determination. Verification of the posting shall be provided to the staff member responsible for the determination.

PART 13. That Sec. 3-5. Who may submit permit applications/submission requirements. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) Applications for <u>development</u> approvals may be made by the landowner, a lessee or person holding an option or contract to purchase or lease land, or an authorized agent of the landowner. An easement holder may also apply for development approval for such development as is authorized by the easement. zoning, <u>special</u> conditional use, or sign permits or minor subdivision plat approval will be accepted only from persons having the legal authority to take action in accordance with the permit or the minor subdivision plat approval. By way of illustration, in general this means that applications should be made by the owners of property, or their agents, or persons who have contracted to purchase property contingent upon their ability to acquire the necessary permits under this ordinance, or the agents of such persons (who may make application in the name of such owners).

PART 14. That Sec. 3-6. Application to be complete. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) All applications for zoning, <u>special conditional</u> use, or sign permits and stormwater impact statements must be complete before the permit-issuing authority will consider the application.

PART 15. That **Sec. 3-8.** of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 3-8. - Special Conditional use permits.

- 41 (a) An application for a <u>special conditional</u> use permit shall be submitted to the town commissioners by filing a copy of the application with the administrator.
- When it is considered desirable by the zoning administrator, an informal meeting between the developer and the neighborhood in which the development is proposed to be situated may be required before the Planning and Zoning Board or the town commissioners will consider recommending or granting the special conditional use permit.
- 48 (c) When it is considered desirable by the Planning and Zoning Board or the town commissioners, a public hearing may be held on any <u>special conditional</u> use. No <u>special</u>

- 2 conditional use permit applications will be considered for approval by the Planning and Zoning Board or the town commissioners until the notice to adjacent property owners form has been mailed to all adjacent property owners. All notification forms will be completed by the zoning administrator and must be sent to all adjacent property owners by first class mail. There will be a fee for each letter sent. This fee will be added to the site plan review fees previously established by the town commissioners.
- 7 (d) The Planning and Zoning Board shall review the application for a <u>special conditional</u> use permit and shall submit its recommendation as to approval or disapproval along with any additional conditions or safeguards it may consider necessary to the town commissioners. Written application for a <u>special conditional</u> use permit shall be submitted to the Planning and Zoning Board no later than 21 days preceding the next regular monthly meeting of said board.
- 13 (e) Subject to subsection (f), the town commissioners shall issue the requested special eonditional use permit unless they conclude, based upon the information submitted at the hearing, that:

 (1) The requested permit is not with interest to the following that:
 - (1) The requested permit is not within its jurisdiction; or
- 17 (2) The application is incomplete; or

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- (3) If completed as proposed in the application, the development will not comply with one or more requirements of this ordinance (not including those the applicant is not required to comply with under the circumstances specified in Article XXI, Nonconforming Situations).
- 22 (f) Even if the town commissioners find that the application complies with all other provisions of this ordinance, they may still deny the permit if it concludes, based upon the information submitted at the hearing that:
 - The applicant has not met the requirements of the ordinance; or
- 26 (2) Granting the permit will not be in conformity with the town's land use plan or the latest guidelines for development; or

 28 (3) The proposed use will get be a second to the latest guidelines for development.
 - (3) The proposed use will not be compatible with the area in which it is to be located if developed under the conditions specified in the ordinance and those additionally required by the town commissioners.
- 31 (g) Denial of a <u>special conditional</u> use permit must be based upon competent material and substantial evidence which shall be made a part of the record in the case. The applicant shall have an opportunity to examine such evidence and present a rebuttal or contrary evidence.
- 34 (h) All special conditional use permits must be recorded in the Dare County Registry and indexed under the record owner's name as grantor.
- 36 (i) The town commissioners shall not rely on or use any part of the preliminary forum or recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board as a basis for its decision on the special use permit
- PART 16. That Sec. 3-10. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
- 43 Sec. 3-10. Recommendations on <u>special eonditional</u> use permit applications.

(a) Before being presented to the town commissioners, an application for a <u>special conditional</u> use permit shall be referred to the Planning and Zoning Board, as provided in subsection 3-8(d), for action in accordance with this section.

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PART 17. That Sec. 3-11. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

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Sec. 3-11. - Town commissioners' action on special conditional use permits.

 In considering whether to approve an application for a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, the town commissioners shall proceed according to the following format:

PART 18. That Sec. 3-12. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 3-12. - Additional requirements on <u>special eonditional</u> use permits.

(a) In granting a special conditional use permit, the town commissioners may attach to the permit such reasonable requirements in addition to those specified in this ordinance if and appropriate conditions and safeguards upon the permit. Where appropriate, such conditions may include requirements that street and utility rights-of-way be dedicated to the public and that provision be made for recreational space and facilities. Conditions and safeguards imposed shall not include requirements for which the town does not have authority under statute to regulate nor requirements for which the courts have held to be unenforceable if imposed directly by the local government, including, without limitation, taxes, impact fees, building design elements within the scope of G.S. 160D-702(b), driveway-related improvements in excess of those allowed in G.S. 136-18(29) and G.S. 160A-307, or other unauthorized limitations on the development or use of land. In developing such reasonable and appropriate conditions, the town commissioners may consider, among other things, the following factors:

The applicant has met the requirements of the ordinance; or

 (2) Granting the permit will be in conformity with the town's land use plan, the Town of Manteo Plan Update, or the latest adopted guidelines for development entitled the "Manteo Way of Building;" or

 3) The proposed use will be compatible with the area in which it is to be located if developed under the conditions specified in the ordinance and those additionally required by the town commissioners.

(b) The town commissioners may not attach additional conditions that modify or alter the specific requirements set forth in this ordinance unless the development in question presents extraordinary circumstances that justify the variation from the specified requirements.

(c) The town commissioners may attach to a permit a condition limiting the permit to a specified duration.

(d) All additional conditions or requirements shall be entered on the permit.

(e) All additional conditions or requirements authorized by this section are enforceable in the same manner and to the same extent as any other applicable requirement of this ordinance.

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- (f) A vote may be taken on application conditions or requirements before consideration of whether the permit should be denied for any of the reasons set forth in this ordinance.
- (g) The town commissioners may inquire whether the applicant is willing to consent in writing to the conditions proposed.
- PART 19. That Sec. 3-13. Completing developments in phases. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
- (b) Phased development requires a master plan <u>special conditional</u> use permit (MPCUP). Following the MPCUP approval, each phase, stage or individual structure that requires a building permit must have a separate site specific <u>special conditional</u> use permit (SSCUP). The process shall follow the <u>special conditional</u> use permit process laid out in section 3-8 and shall include a review of compliance with the "Manteo Way of Building: a Guide for Development", in addition to other requirements set forth in the CDC.
- PART 20. That Sec. 3-18. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
- Sec. 3-18. Authorizing use or occupancy before completion of development under <u>special</u> conditional use permits.
- (a) In cases when, because of weather conditions or other factors beyond the control of the special eonditional use permit recipient (exclusive of financial hardship) it would be unreasonable to require the permit recipient to comply with all of the requirements of this ordinance before commencing the intended use of the property or occupying any buildings, the town commissioners may authorize the commencement of the intended use or the occupancy of buildings (insofar as the requirements of this ordinance are concerned) if the permit recipient provides a performance guarantee in the manner provided by Section 3-41. a certified check, irrevocable letter of credit, performance bond, certificate of deposit, or other security satisfactory to town commissioners for 125 percent, or \$10,000.00, whichever is greater, of the cost of the required improvements to ensure that all of these requirements will be fulfilled within a reasonable period (not to exceed 12 months).
- (b) When the town commissioners impose additional requirements upon the permit recipient in accordance with section 3-12 or when the developer proposes in the plans submitted to install amenities beyond those required by this ordinance, the town commissioners may authorize the permitted party to commence the intended use of the property or to occupy any building before the additional requirements are fulfilled or the amenities installed if they specify a date by which or a schedule according to which such requirements must be met or each amenity installed and if they conclude that compliance will be ensured as the result of any one or more of the following:
 - (1) A performance guarantee Surety, satisfactory to the town commissioners, is furnished in the manner provided by Section 3-41;
 - (2) A condition is imposed establishing an automatic expiration date on the permit, thereby ensuring that the permit recipient's compliance will be reviewed when application for renewal is made; or

- (3) The nature of the requirements or amenities is such that sufficient assurance of compliance is given; and
 - (4) An irrevocable letter of credit that can be executed at a local bank.
 - PART 21. That Sec. 3-19. Expiration of permits. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
- (a) Development permits expire one year after issuance unless work authorized by the permit has substantially commenced. A development permit is issued either in the ordinary course of business of the applicable governmental agency or by the applicable governmental agency as a court directive. Zoning, special conditional use permits, and sign permits shall expire automatically if, within one year after the issuance of such permits:
 - (1) The use authorized by such permits has not commenced, in circumstances where no substantial construction, erection, alteration, excavation, demolition, or similar work is necessary before commencement of such use, or
 - (2) Less than ten percent of the total cost of all construction, erection, alteration, excavation, demolition, or similar work on any development authorized by such permits has been completed on the site. With respect to phased development, (see section 3–13), this requirement shall apply only to the first phase.
 - (b) A development permit expires for an uncompleted development project if development work is intentionally and voluntarily discontinued for a period of not less than 24 consecutive months, and the statutory vesting period for a nonconforming use of property expires if the use is intentionally and voluntarily discontinued for a period of not less than 24 consecutive months. The 24-month discontinuance period is automatically tolled during the pendency of any board of adjustment proceeding or civil action in a State or federal trial or appellate court regarding the validity of a development permit, the use of the property, or the existence of the statutory vesting period granted by this section. The 24-month discontinuance period is also tolled during the pendency of any litigation involving the development project or property that is the subject of the vesting. If, after some physical alteration to land or structures begins, and such work is discontinued for a period of one year, then the zoning, special conditional use or sign permit authorizing such work shall immediately expire. However, expiration of the permit shall not affect the provisions of this section.
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 (c) The permit-issuing authority may extend, for a period up to six months, the date when a development zoning, special conditional use or sign permit would otherwise expire pursuant to subsections (a) or (b) if it concludes that:
- 37 (1) The permit has not yet expired,
 - (2) The permit recipient has proceeded with due diligence and in good faith, and
- Conditions have not changed so substantially as to warrant a new application.

 Successive extensions may be granted for periods up to six months (for a total period not to exceed two years) upon the same findings. All such extensions may be granted without resort to the formal processes and fees required for a new permit.
- (d) For purposes of this section, the <u>special</u> conditional use permit is issued when the town commissioners vote to approve the application and issue the permit. A zoning permit or sign permit within the jurisdiction of the administrator is issued when either of the following takes place:

1 (1) A copy of the fully executed permit is delivered to the permit recipient, and delivery is 2 accomplished when the permit is hand delivered or mailed to the permit applicant; or 3 (2) The administrator notifies the permit applicant that the application has been approved 4 and that all that remains before a fully executed permit can be delivered is for the 5 applicant to take certain specified actions, such as having the permit executed by the 6 property owner so it can be recorded if required under subsection (b) above. 7 (e) Demolition permits shall expire 60 days from the start of demolition work. An extension of 30 days may be allotted at the discretion of the zoning administrator. 8 9 10 PART 22. That Sec. 3-20. Effect of permit on successors and assigns. of the Zoning 11 Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 12 13 Zoning, special conditional use permits, and sign permits authorize the permitted party to 14 make use of land and structures in a particular way. Such permits are transferable. However, 15 so long as the land or structures or any portion covered under a permit continues to be used 16 for the purposes for which the permit was granted, then no person (including successors or 17 assigns of the person who obtained the permit) may make use of the land or structures 18 covered under such permit for the purposes authorized in the permit except in accordance 19 with all the terms and requirements of that permit. 20 Whenever a special conditional use permit is issued to authorize development, nothing 21 authorized by the permit may be done until the record owner of the property signs a written 22 acknowledgement that the permit has been issued so that the permit may be recorded in the 23 Dare County Registry and indexed under the record owner's name as grantor. 24 PART 23. That Sec. 3-21. Amendments to and modifications of permits. of the Zoning 25 26 Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 27 28 29 Minor design modifications or changes in permits, including approved plans (for example, (b) 30 a change in windows and door sizes and styles), are permissible with the approval of the 31 permit-issuing authority. Such permission may be obtained without a formal application, 32 public hearing, or payment of any additional fee. For purposes of this section, minor 33 modifications or changes are those that have no substantial impact on neighboring 34 properties, the general public, or those intended to occupy or use the proposed development 35 and for special use permits do not involve a change in uses permitted or the density of 36 overall development permitted. 37 38 PART 24. That Sec. 3-22. Reconsideration of board action. of the Zoning Ordinance of the 39 Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 40 41 Whenever the town commissioners disapprove an application for a special conditional use 42 permit or the Board of Adjustment disapproves an application for a variance, on any basis 43

other than the failure of the applicant to submit a complete application, such action may not

be reconsidered by the respective board at a later time unless the applicant clearly

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demonstrates that:

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1 2 3 4 5	PART 25. That Sec. 3-24. Maintenance of common areas, improvements, and fact the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby an follows:			
6 7 8 9 10 11 12	The recipient of any zoning or <u>special conditional</u> use permit, or his successor, shall be responsible for maintaining all common areas, improvements or facilities required by this ordinance or any permit issued in accordance with its provisions, except those areas, improvements or facilities with respect to which an offer of dedication to the public has been accepted by the appropriate public authority. As illustrations, this means that private roads and parking areas, water and sewer lines, and recreational facilities must be properly maintained so that they can be used in the manner intended, and required vegetation and trees used for screening, landscaping, or shading must be replaced if they die or are destroyed.			
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15 16 17	PART 26. That Sec. 3-36. Regulation of Subdivisions. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:	ne Town of		
18 19	(a) The authority as to regulation of land subdivision generally is granted by <u>Article 160D of the North Carolina General Statutes</u> G.S. 160A-371 through 160A-376.	8, Chapter		
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21 22 23	(c) Subdivisions are subject to a two-step approval process. Physical improvements to be subdivided are authorized by a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, and sale of lots after final plat approval as provided in section 3-39.	s permitted		
24 25 26 27	PART 27. That Sec. 3-38. Subdivision approval process. of the Zoning Ordinance of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:			
28 29 30 31	(a) The zoning administrator shall approve or disapprove minor subdivision fi accordance with the provisions of this section. Only a final plat for recordation is be provided for the division of a tract or parcel of land in single ownership following criteria are met:	if all of the		
32 33	(1) The tract or parcel to be divided is not exempted as a division of land greater than 10 acres where no street right-of-way dedication is involved.			
34 35	(2) No part of the tract or parcel to be divided has been divided under this s the 10 years prior to division.	ubsection in		
36	(3) The entire area of the tract or parcel to be divided is greater than 5 acres.			
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38	(5) After division, all resultant lots comply with all of the following:			
39	a. All lot dimension size requirements of the applicable land-use regulat	ions, if any.		
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42	c. A permanent means of ingress and egress is recorded for each lot.			

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(d) The zoning administrator shall approve the proposed plat unless he finds that the plat or the 1 2 proposed subdivision fails to comply with one or more of the requirements of this ordinance, 3 the plat is not in conformity with the CAMA Land Use Plan, the Manteo Plan Update 4 (including future amendments and updates), the Design Guidelines: The Manteo Way of 5 Building, and other planning documents, or that the final plat differs substantially from the 6 plans and specifications approved in conjunction with the special conditional use permit that 7 authorized the development of the subdivision. 8 9 PART 28. That Sec. 3-39. Endorsements on subdivision plats. of the Zoning Ordinance of the 10 11 Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 12 13 All subdivision plats shall contain the endorsements listed in subsections (1), (2), and (3) herein. 14 Certificate of approval: 15 I hereby certify that all streets shown on this plat are within the Town of Manteo's 16 planning jurisdiction, all streets and other improvements shown on this plat have been 17 installed or completed or that their installation or completion (within twelve (12) 18 months after the date below) has been assured by the posting of a performance 19 guarantee bond or other sufficient surety, and that the subdivision shown on this plat is 20 in all respects in compliance with the Town of Manteo Unified Development 21 Ordinance, and this plat has been approved by the Manteo Zoning Administrator, 22 subject to being recorded in the Dare County Registry within sixty (60) days of the date 23 24 ____, Zoning Administrator 25 Date 26 27 PART 29. That Sec. 3-41. Protection against defects. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of 28 29 Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 30 31 Performance guarantees -- Whenever (pursuant to section 3-18) occupancy, use or sale is 32 allowed before the completion of all facilities or improvements intended for dedication, 33 including water and sewer lines, then the town may require a performance bond or the surety 34 that is posted pursuant to section 3 18 shall guarantee to assure successful completion of 35 required improvements. that any defects in such improvements or facilities that appear 36 within one year after the dedication of such facilities or improvements is accepted shall be 37 corrected by the developer. 38 Type.--The type of performance guarantee shall be at the election of the developer. The (b) 39 term "performance guarantee" means any of the following forms of guarantee: 40 a. Surety bond issued by any company authorized to do business in this State. 41 b. Letter of credit issued by any financial institution licensed to do business in this State. c. Other form of guarantee that provides equivalent security to a surety bond or letter of 42 43 credit.

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(c) Duration.--The duration of the performance guarantee shall initially be one year, unless the developer determines that the scope of work for the required improvements necessitates a longer duration. In the case of a bonded obligation, the completion date shall be set one year from the date the bond is issued, unless the developer determines that the scope of work for the required improvements necessitates a longer duration.

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- Extension.--A developer shall demonstrate reasonable, good-faith progress toward completion of the required improvements that are secured by the performance guarantee or any extension. If the improvements are not completed to the specifications of the town, and the current performance guarantee is likely to expire prior to completion of the required improvements, the performance guarantee shall be extended, or a new performance guarantee issued, for an additional period. An extension under this subdivision shall only be for a duration necessary to complete the required improvements. If a new performance guarantee is issued, the amount shall be determined by the procedure provided in subdivision (f) of this subsection and shall include the total cost of all incomplete improvements.
- (e) Release.--The performance guarantee shall be returned or released, as appropriate, in a 15 timely manner upon the acknowledgement by the town that the improvements for which the 16 performance guarantee is being required are complete. The town shall return letters of credit 17 or escrowed funds upon completion of the required improvements to its specifications or 18 upon acceptance of the required improvements, if the required improvements are subject to 19 town acceptance. When required improvements that are secured by a bond are completed to 20 the specifications of the town, or are accepted by the town, if subject to its acceptance, upon 21 request by the developer, the town shall timely provide written acknowledgement that the 22 required improvements have been completed. 23
- Amount.--The amount of the performance guarantee shall not exceed one hundred twenty-24 five percent (125%) of the reasonably estimated cost of completion at the time the 25 performance guarantee is issued. The town may determine the amount of the performance 26 guarantee or use a cost estimate determined by the developer. The reasonably estimated cost 27 of completion shall include one hundred percent (100%) of the costs for labor and materials 28 necessary for completion of the required improvements. Where applicable, the costs shall be 29 based on unit pricing. The additional twenty-five percent (25%) allowed under this 30 subdivision includes inflation and all costs of administration regardless of how such fees or 31 charges are denominated. The amount of any extension of any performance guarantee shall 32 be determined according to the procedures for determining the initial guarantee and shall not 33 exceed one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the reasonably estimated cost of 34 completion of the remaining incomplete improvements still outstanding at the time the 35 extension is obtained. 36
- (g) Timing.—The town, at its discretion, may require the performance guarantee to be posted 37 either at the time the plat is recorded or at a time subsequent to plat recordation. 38
- (h) Coverage.--The performance guarantee shall only be used for completion of the required 39 improvements and not for repairs or maintenance after completion. 40
- (i) Legal responsibilities .-- No person shall have or may claim any rights under or to any 41 performance guarantee provided pursuant to this subsection or in the proceeds of any such 42 performance guarantee other than the following: 43
 - a. The town to whom the performance guarantee is provided.
- 44 b. The developer at whose request or for whose benefit the performance guarantee is 45 46 given.

1 c. The person or entity issuing or providing the performance guarantee at the request of or 2 for the benefit of the developer. 3 (j) Multiple guarantees.--The developer shall have the option to post one type of a performance 4 guarantee as provided for in subdivision (1) of this section, in lieu of multiple bonds, letters 5 of credit, or other equivalent security, for all development matters related to the same project 6 requiring performance guarantees. 7 8 Whenever all public facilities or improvements intended for dedication are installed before 9 occupancy, use, or sale is authorized, then the developer shall post a performance bond or 10 other sufficient surety to guarantee that he will correct all defects in such facilities or 11 improvements that occur within one year after the offer of dedication of such facilities or 12 improvements is accepted. 13 (ke) Certification required -- An architect or engineer retained by the developer shall certify to the 14 town that all facilities and improvements to be dedicated to the town have been constructed 15 in accordance with the requirements of this ordinance. The architect or engineer will certify 16 as-built drawings, including water, sewer, cable, telephone, and electric, and submit to the 17 town. This certification shall be a condition precedent to acceptance by the town of the offer 18 of dedication of such facilities or improvements. 19 (d) For purposes of this section, the term "defects" refers to any condition in publicly dedicated 20 facilities or improvements that requires the town to make repairs in such facilities over and above 21 the normal amount of maintenance that they would require. If such defects appear, the guaranty 22 may be enforced regardless of whether the facilities or improvements were constructed in 23 accordance with the requirements of this ordinance. 24 25 PART 30. That Sec. 4-5. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is 26 hereby amended as follows: 27 28 Sec. 4-5. - Special Conditional uses permitted by town commissioners. 29 30 The following are uses that may be permitted by the issuance of a special conditional use 31 permit, subject to the requirements of this district and additional regulations and requirements 32 imposed by the town commissioners: 33 34 PART 31. That Sec. 5-5. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is 35 36 hereby amended as follows: 37 Sec. 5-5. - Special Conditional uses permitted by town commissioners. 38 39 40 The following are uses that may be permitted by the issuance of a special conditional use 41 permit, subject to the requirements of this district and additional regulations and requirements imposed by the town commissioners: 42 43

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PART 32. That Sec. 6-5. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

1 2 3	Sec. 6-5 Special Conditional uses permitted by town commissioner.			
4 5 6	The following are uses that may be permitted by the issuance of a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, subject to the requirements of this district and additional regulations and requirements imposed by the town commissioners:			
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8 9 10	PART 33. That Sec. 7-5. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:			
11 12	Sec. 7-5 Special special conditional uses permitted by town commissioners.			
13 14 15 16 17	The following are uses permitted by the issuance of a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, subject to the requirements of this district and additional regulations and requirements imposed by the town commissioners:			
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19 20	PART 34. That Sec. 8-5. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:			
21 22 23	Sec. 8-5 Special Conditional uses permitted by the town commissioners.			
24 25 26	The following are uses that may be permitted by the issuance of a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, subject to the requirements of this district and additional regulations and requirements imposed by the town commissioners:			
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29 30	PART 35. That Sec. 9-5. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:			
31 32 33	Sec. 9-5 Special Conditional uses permitted by the town commissioners.			
34	(a) Uses not permitted in B-3:			
35 36 37	(1) Unless the use is listed, it is prohibited. In addition, communication towers, restaurants with drive-through service, as well as stock-designed buildings are not permitted. Internally lighted wall signs are not permitted.			
38 39 40	(b) The following uses are permitted by the issuance of a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, subject to the requirements of this district and additional regulations and requirements imposed by the town commissioners:			
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PART 36. That Sec. 10-5. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 10-5. - Special Conditional uses permitted by the town commissioners.

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- (1) Unless the use is listed, it is prohibited. In addition, communication towers, restaurants with drive-through service, as well as stock-designed buildings are not permitted. Internally lighted wall signs are not permitted.
- (b) The following are uses permitted by the issuance of a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, subject to the requirements of this district and additional regulations and requirements imposed by the town commissioners:

PART 37. That Sec. 11-4. Application and inclusionary housing plan. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) Application. For all covered developments, the applicant shall file an application for approval on a form provided and required by the town. The application shall require, and the applicant shall provide, among other things, general information about the nature and scope of the covered development, as well as such other documents and information as the town may require. The application shall be reviewed concurrently with the planning and zoning application and shall be treated procedurally as a special conditional use in accordance with the town planning and zoning ordinance.

PART 38. That Sec. 11-6. Development agreement and other documents. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Prior to issuance of a building permit for any covered development, the applicant shall have entered into a development agreement with the town regarding the specific requirements and restrictions regarding affordable housing and the covered development. Before entering into the development agreement, the town commissioners shall conduct a legislative hearing on the proposed agreement. The notice provisions of G.S. 160D-602 applicable to zoning map amendments shall be followed for this hearing. The notice for the hearing must specify the location of the property subject to the development agreement, the development uses proposed on the property, and must specify a place where a copy of the proposed development agreement can be obtained. The development agreement shall comply with the requirements of G.S. Chap.

The applicant shall execute any and all documents deemed necessary by the town, including without limitation, restrictive covenants and other related instruments, to ensure the continued affordability of the affordable housing units or lots in accordance with this chapter. The development agreement shall set forth the commitments and obligations of the town and the applicant and shall incorporate, among other things, the inclusionary housing plan, all to be recorded in the Dare County Register of Deeds.

PART 39. That Sec. 12-2.1. Pawnshops. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

1 2 Pawnshops shall be special conditional uses in the B-1, B-2, and B-3, and are prohibited in 3 (c) 4 all other zones. 5 PART 40. That Sec. 12-8.1. Wind generation facility. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 7 8 9 Validity of permits. A special conditional use permit issued pursuant to this section shall 10 expire if the improvements permitted are not completely constructed within 12 months of the date (g) 11 of the approval of a building permit. 12 13 14 PART 41. That Sec. 12-17. Combination of uses. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of 15 Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 16 17 When a combination use comprises two or more principal uses that require different types 18 of permits (zoning and special conditional use), then the permit authorizing the combination 19 use shall be: 20 A special conditional use permit if any of the principal uses combined requires a 21 special conditional use permit. 22 A zoning permit in all other cases. 23 (2) 24 . . . 25 PART 42. That Sec. 14-3. Table of parking requirements. of the Zoning Ordinance of the 26 Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 27 28 29 One space for each classroom and administrative office for Elementary, middle and elementary and middle schools; one space for each five students high school (including for which the building was designed, plus one space for each 11 associated grounds and classroom and administrative offices for high schools (may be athletic and other adjusted during the special conditional use permit process) facilities) One space per office plus 7 spaces per classroom plus 1 space Colleges, universities, per 4 seats in lecture hall (may be adjusted during the special community colleges, (including associated conditional use permit process) facilities 30 31 PART 43. That Sec. 15-3. Location of required buffers. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town 32 of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 33 34 35 Opaque screen buffer. Required where a commercial or institutional use or zone abuts 36 (2) a residential use or zone. The Planning and Zoning Board may determine which 37

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1 variation of opaque screen buffer is appropriate as part of a special conditional use. 2 There are three variations listed in subsection 15-4(2). 3 4 5 PART 44. That Sec. 16-4. - Dedication of drainage ditches. of the Zoning Ordinance of the 6 Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 7 8 9 An executed general warranty deed conveying the dedicated land to the town shall be submitted to the town within 30 working days of the approval by the town commissioners of a 10 11 12 PART 45. That Sec. 20-2. - Location of utilities. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of 13 14 Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 15 16 17 18 The installation of electric power, cable television, and telephone lines beneath the surface 19 of the ground is mandatory, unless those lines can follow existing pathways as in updating, 20 replacing, or adding service. Service may follow existing pathways, so long as the size and 21 capacity remains the same. 22 (c) A developer or builder must bury power lines underneath the surface of the ground if all of 23 the following criteria are not met: 24 (1) The power lines existed above ground at the time of first approval of a plat or 25 development plan by the town, whether or not the power lines are subsequently relocated 26 during construction of the subdivision or development plan. 27 (2) The power lines are located outside the boundaries of the parcel of land that contains 28 the subdivision or the property covered by the development plan. 29 At such time as main service utilities are put underground, then all utilities must go 30 underground. 31 Every development shall be reviewed by the zoning administrator and the public works director and they shall determine the appropriate location and screening. 32 33 PART 46. That Sec. 21-4. - Extension or enlargement of nonconforming situations. of the 34 35 Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as 36 37 38 39 Uses under special conditional -use provisions. Any use which is permitted as a special conditional use in a district under the terms of this ordinance shall not be deemed a 40 nonconforming use in such district but shall, without further action, be considered a conforming 41 42 43 44 PART 47. That Sec. 21-6. - Change in use of property where a nonconforming situation 45 exists. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby 46 amended as follows:

(a) A change in use of property that is sufficiently substantial to require a new zoning permit or special conditional use permit may not be made except in the following circumstances:

PART 48. That Sec. 21-8. - Completion of nonconforming projects. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

As provided in NCGS § 160D-108160A 385(b), neither this ordinance or any amendment to it shall, without the <u>written</u> consent of the property owner, affect any lot with respect to which a <u>development building</u> permit has been issued <u>pursuant to NCGS § 160A 417</u> prior to the enactment of the ordinance making the change so long as the <u>development building</u> permit remains valid, unexpired, and unrevoked.

PART 49. That Sec. 22-1. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 22-1. - Complaints and inspections regarding violations.

(a) Complaints -- Whenever the administrator receives a written, signed complaint alleging a violation of this ordinance or any other town development regulation, he shall investigate the complaint, perform any necessary inpsections, take whatever action is warranted, and inform the complainant in writing what actions have been or will be taken.

(b) Inspections -- Administrative staff may inspect work undertaken pursuant to a development approval to assure that the work is being done in accordance with applicable State and local laws and of the terms of the approval. In exercising this power, staff are authorized to enter any premises within the jurisdiction of the local government at all reasonable hours for the purposes of inspection or other enforcement action, upon presentation of proper credentials; provided, however, that the appropriate consent has been given for inspection of areas not open to the public or that an appropriate inspection warrant has been secured.

PART 50. That Sec. 22-3. - Procedures upon discovery of violations. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Notices of Violation .-- When the appropriate development official determines work or (a) activity has been undertaken in violation of a town development regulation adopted by the town or any State law delegated to the local government for enforcement purposes in lieu of the State or in violation of the terms of a development approval, a written notice of violation may be issued. The notice of violation shall be delivered to the holder of the development approval and to the landowner of the property involved, if the landowner is not the holder of the development approval, by personal delivery, electronic delivery, or first-class mail and may be provided by similar means to the occupant of the property or the person undertaking the work or activity. The notice of violation may be posted on the property. The person providing the notice of violation shall certify that the notice was provided, and the certificate shall be deemed conclusive in the absence of fraud. Except as provided for building code enforcement orders under G.S. 160D-1123 or minimum housing orders under G.S. 160D-1206 or otherwise provided by law, a notice of violation may be appealed to the board of adjustment. If the administrator finds that any provision of this ordinance is being violated, he shall send a written notice to the person responsible for such violation, indicating the nature of the violation and ordering the action necessary to correct it. Additional written notices may be sent at the administrator's discretion.

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- Stop Work Orders.--Whenever any work or activity subject to a town development regulation or any State law delegated to the local government for enforcement purposes in lieu of the State is undertaken in substantial violation of any State or local law, or in a manner that endangers life or property, staff may order the specific part of the work or activity that is in violation or presents such a hazard to be immediately stopped. The order shall be in writing, directed to the person doing the work or activity, and shall state the specific work or activity to be stopped, the reasons therefor, and the conditions under which the work or activity may be resumed. A copy of the order shall be delivered to the holder of the development approval and to the owner of the property involved (if that person is not the holder of the development approval) by personal delivery, electronic delivery, or first-class mail. The person or persons delivering the stop work order shall certify that the order was delivered and that certificate shall be deemed conclusive in the absence of fraud. Except as provided for building code violations stop work orders by G.S. 160D-1114 and minimum housing orders by G.S. 160D-1208, a stop work order may be appealed to the board of adjustment. No further work or activity shall take place in violation of a stop work order pending a ruling on the appeal. Violation of a stop work order shall constitute a Class 1 misdemeanor. The written notice shall state what action the administrator intends to take if the violation is not corrected.
- (c) In cases when delay would seriously threaten the effective enforcement of this ordinance or pose a danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, the administrator may seek enforcement without prior written notice by invoking any of the penalties or remedies authorized in section 22-4.

PART 51. That Sec. 22-4. - Penalties and remedies for violations. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Violations of the provisions of this ordinance or failure to comply with any of its requirements, including violations of any conditions and safeguards established in connection with grants of variances or special conditional use permits, shall constitute a misdemeanor under G.S. 14-4 and each day's continuing violation shall be a separate offense.
- Notwithstanding the criminal penalties, civil penalties or both, the permit-issuing authority may institute a civil action against the offender seeking enforcement by appropriate equitable remedy, injunction, and order of abatement or by any remedy authorized by G.S. 160A-175 and G.S. 160D-404160A-389 as amended.
 - PART 52. That Sec. 22-5. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
 - Sec. 22-5. <u>Development approval</u> <u>Permit</u> revocation.
 - (a) Development approvals may be revoked by notifying the holder in writing stating the reason for the revocation. The town shall follow the same development review and approval process required for issuance of the development approval, including any required notice or hearing, in the review and approval of any revocation of that approval. Development

approvals shall be revoked for any substantial departure from the approved application, plans, or specifications; for refusal or failure to comply with the requirements of any applicable local development regulation or any State law delegated to the local government for enforcement purposes in lieu of the State; or for false statements or misrepresentations made in securing the approval. Any development approval mistakenly issued in violation of an applicable State or local law may also be revoked. The revocation of a development approval by a staff member may be appealed pursuant to G.S. 160D-405 XXX. If an appeal is filed regarding the provisions of G.S. 160D-405(e) regarding stays apply.

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A building, zoning, sign, or special conditional use permit may be revoked by the permitissuing authority (in accordance with the provisions of this section) if the permit recipient fails to develop or maintain the property in accordance with the plans submitted, the requirements of this ordinance, or any additional requirements lawfully imposed by the permit-issuing authority.

- Before a special conditional use permit may be revoked, all of the notice and hearing and other requirements of Article III, sections 3-8 through 3-12 shall be complied with. The notice shall inform the permit recipient of the alleged grounds for the revocation.
 - (1) The burden of presenting evidence sufficient to authorize the town commissioners to conclude that a permit should be revoked for any of the reasons set forth in subsection (a) shall be upon the party advocating that position. The burden of persuasion shall also be upon that party.
 - (2) A motion to revoke a permit shall include a statement of the specific reasons or findings of fact that support the motion.
- (c) Before a building or zoning permit may be revoked, the administrator shall give the permit recipient ten days' notice of intent to revoke the permit and shall inform the recipient of the alleged reasons for the revocation.

(b)(d) No person may continue to make use of land or buildings in the manner authorized by any building, zoning, sign, or special conditional use permit or other development approval after such permit development approval has been revoked in accordance with this section.

PART 53. That Sec. 22-6. - Judicial review. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Every decision of the town commissioners granting or denying a special eonditional use permit shall be subject to review by the Superior Court of Dare County by proceedings in the nature of certiorari pursuant to G.S. 160D-1402160A-393.

PART 54. That Sec. 23-4. - Powers and duties. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

Appeals. The board shall hear and decide appeals of decisions of administrative officials (a) charged with enforcement of the zoning code, and may hear appeals arising out of any other ordinance that regulates land use or development. For the purposes of this article, the term "administrative official" shall mean any town employee whose official duties include administration and enforcement of the zoning code, as well as the planning board in those instances whether the administration and enforcement of the zoning code has been delegated to that body by the Board of Commissioners.

Appeals shall be heard pursuant to the following:

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- (1) Any person who has standing under G.S. 160D-1402(c)160A-393(d) or the Town of Manteo may appeal a decision to the Board of Adjustment. A written notice of appeal stating the grounds for the appeal must be filed with the town clerk. A notice of appeal shall be considered filed with the town clerk and the Board of Adjustment when delivered to the town hall, and the date and time of filing shall be entered on the notice by the administrator.
- (2) The official who made the decision or in the case of the planning board, the chairman of the planning board or his or her designee - shall give written notice to the owner of the property that is the subject of the decision and to the party who sought the decision, if different from the owner. The written notice must be delivered by personal delivery, electronic mail or by first-class mail.
- (3) The owner or other party shall have 30 days from receipt of the written notice within which to file an appeal. Any other person with standing to appeal shall have 30 days from receipt from any source of actual or constructive notice of the decision within which to file an appeal. In the absence of evidence to the contrary, notice given pursuant to G.S. 160D-403(b) by first-class mail is deemed received on the third business day following deposit of the notice for mailing with the United States Postal Service.
- (4) It shall be conclusively presumed that all persons with standing to appeal decisions of administrative officials have constructive notice of the decision from the date a sign containing the words "Zoning Decision" or "Subdivision Decision" in letters at least six inches high and identifying the means to contact an official for information about the decision is prominently posted on the property that is the subject of the decision, provided the sign remains on the property for at least ten days. Posting of signs is not the only form of constructive notice. Any such posting shall be the responsibility of the landowner or applicant. Verification of the posting shall be provided to the official who made the decision. Posting of such signs by the landowners or applicant is encouraged, but not required.
- (5) The official who made the decision or in the case of the planning board, the chairman of the planning board or his or her designee shall transmit to the board all the documents and exhibits constituting the record upon which the action appealed was taken. The official must also provide a copy of the record to the appellant and to the owner of the property that is the subject of the appeal if the appellant is not the owner.
- An appeal of a notice of violation or other enforcement order stays enforcement of the action appealed from and accrual of any fines assessed during the pendency of the appeal to the board of adjustment and any subsequent appeal in accordance with G.S. 160D-1402 or during the pendency of any civil proceeding authorized by law or appeals therefrom, unless the official who made the decision certifies to the board after notice of appeal has been filed that, because of the facts stated in an affidavit, a stay would cause imminent peril to life or property or, because the violation is transitory in nature, a stay would seriously interfere with enforcement of the development regulation. In that case, enforcement proceedings are not stayed except by a restraining order, which may be granted by a court. If enforcement proceedings are not stayed, the appellant may file with the official a request for an expedited hearing of the appeal, and the board shall meet to hear the appeal within 15 days after the request is filed. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, appeals of decisions granting a development approval or otherwise affirming that a proposed use of property is consistent with the development

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regulation does not stay the further review of an application for development approvals to use the property; in these situations, the appellant or town may request and the board may grant a stay of a final decision of development approval applications, including building permits affected by the issue being appealed. An appeal of a notice of violation or other enforcement order stays enforcement of the action appealed from unless the official who made the decision certifies to the board of adjustment after notice of appeal has been filed that because of the facts stated in an affidavit, a stay would cause imminent peril to life or property or because the violation is transitory in nature, a stay would seriously interfere with enforcement of this chapter. In that case, enforcement proceedings shall not be stayed except by a restraining order, which may be granted by a court. If enforcement proceedings are not stayed, the appellant may file with the official a request for an expedited hearing of the appeal, and the Board of Adjustment must meet to hear the appeal within 15 days after such request is filed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, appeals of decisions granting a permit or otherwise affirming that a proposed use of property is consistent with this chapter shall not stay the further review of an application for permits or permissions to use such property. In these situations, the appellant may request and the board may grant a stay of a final decision of permit applications or building permits affected by the issue being appealed.

- (7) Subject to subsection (5) of this section, the Board of Adjustment must hear and decide the appeal within a reasonable time.
- (8) The official who made the decision or in the case of the planning board the chairman of the planning board or his or her designee - or the person currently occupying that position, if the decision maker is no longer employed by or an official of the town, shall must be present at the evidentiary hearing as a witness.
- (9) The appellant shall not be limited at the hearing to matters stated in the notice of appeal. If any party or the town would be unduly prejudiced by the presentation of matters not presented in the notice of appeal, the board shall continue the hearing.
- (10) A majority of the board members shall be required to reverse any decision of an administrative official charged with the enforcement of this chapter. The board may reverse or affirm, in whole or in part, or may modify the decision appealed from, and shall make any order, requirement, decision or determination that ought to have been made. To this end, the board shall have all the powers of the official who made the decision.
- (b) Variances. When unnecessary hardships would result from carrying out the strict letter of a zoning ordinance, the Board of Adjustment shall vary any of the provisions of the ordinance upon a showing of all of the following:
 - (1) Unnecessary hardship would result from the strict application of the ordinance. It shall not be necessary to demonstrate that, in the absence of the variance, no reasonable use can be made of the property.
 - (2) The hardship results from conditions that are peculiar to the property, such as location, size, or topography. Hardships resulting from personal circumstances, as well as hardships resulting from conditions that are common to the neighborhood or the general public, may not be the basis for granting a variance.
 - (3) The hardship did not result from actions taken by the applicant or the property owner. The act of purchasing property with knowledge that circumstances exist that may justify the granting of a variance shall not be regarded as a self-created hardship.

1 (4) The requested variance is consistent with the spirit, purpose, and intent of the ordinance, such that public safety is secured, and substantial justice is achieved.

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No change in permitted uses may be authorized by variance. Appropriate conditions may be imposed on any variance, provided that the conditions are reasonably related to the variance. Any other ordinance that regulates land use or development may provide for variances consistent with the provisions of this subsection.

PART 55. That Sec. 23-5. - Voting. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

- (b) Sec. 1-20 shall apply to conflicts of interest for members of the board. A member of the board shall not participate in or vote on any quasi-judicial matter in a manner that would violate affected persons' constitutional rights to an impartial decision maker. Impermissible violations of due process include, but are not limited to, a member having a fixed opinion prior to hearing the matter that is not susceptible to change, undisclosed ex parte communications, a close familial, business, or other associational relationship with an affected person, or a financial interest in the outcome of the matter. If an objection is raised to a member's participation and that member does not recuse himself or herself, the remaining members shall by majority vote rule on that objection.
- (d) Every quasi-judicial decision of the Board of Adjustment shall be subject to review by the superior court by proceedings in the nature of certiorari pursuant to G.S. 160D-1402160A-393. The petition for the writ of certiorari must be filed with the Dare County Clerk of Court by the later of 30 days after the decision is effective or a written copy of the board's decision has been delivered by personal delivery, electronic mail, or by first-class mail to the applicant, property owner, and any other person who has submitted a written request for a copy, prior to the date the decision becomes effective. A written copy of the board's decision is effective upon the filing of the written decision with the clerk to the board or in the office of the zoning administrator. When first-class mail is used to deliver notice, three days shall be added to the time to file the petition.

PART 56. That Article XXIV. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby renamed HEARING PROCEDURES FOR SPECIAL USE PERMITS, APPEALS AND VARIANCES

- PART 57. That Sec. 24-1. Hearing required on appeals and applications. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:
- (a) Before making a decision on a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, an appeal or an application for a variance, or a petition from the administrator to revoke a <u>special conditional</u> use permit, the Board of Adjustment or the town commissioners shall hold a quasi-judicial hearing during a public meeting on the appeal or application.
- 45 (b) A hearing before the Board of Adjustment shall be open to the public. The applicant, the town, and any person who would have standing to appeal the decision under G.S. 160D-1402(c) shall have the right to participate as a party at the evidentiary hearing. Other

witnesses may present competent, material, and substantial evidence that is not repetitive as 1 allowed by the board. and all persons shall be given an opportunity to present written 2 evidence, offer sworn testimony, and direct questions to the board regarding other evidence 3 4 or testimony. 5 6 PART 58. That Sec. 24-2. - Notice of hearing. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of 7 Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 8 9 The zoning administrator shall give notice of any hearing required by section 24-1 as 10 11 follows: Notice shall be given to the appellant or applicant and any other person who makes a 12 (1) written request for such notice by mailing to such persons a written notice not more 13 than 25 and no fewer than ten calendar days before the hearing. 14 With respect to hearings on matters other than special conditional use permits, notice 15 shall be given to neighboring property owners by mailing a written notice no later than 16 ten calendar days (15 calendar days in the case of the Board of Adjustment) before the 17 hearing to those persons who own property located within 100 feet of the lot that is the 18 subject of the application or appeal. In all cases, the applicant shall provide stamped, 19 addressed envelopes of neighboring property owners to the zoning administrator. 20 Notice shall also be given by prominently posting signs in the vicinity of the property 21 that is the subject of the proposed action. Such signs shall be posted no less than ten 22 23 calendar days prior to the hearing. 24 25 PART 59. That Sec. 24-3. - Evidence. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North 26 Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 27 28 29 Objections regarding jurisdictional and evidentiary issues, including, but not limited to, the 30 d) timeliness of an appeal or the standing of a party, may be made to the board. The chairman 31 of the board or mayor shall rule on all questions regarding the admissibility of evidence 32 objections, and the rulings may be appealed to the full board. 33 The administrator or staff to the board shall transmit to the board all applications, reports, 34 and written materials relevant to the matter being considered. The administrative materials 35 may be distributed to the members of the board prior to the hearing if at the same time they 36 are distributed to the board a copy is also provided to the appellant or applicant and to the 37 landowner if that person is not the appellant or applicant. The administrative materials shall 38

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board at the hearing.

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PART 60. That **Sec. 25-1. - Amendments in general.** of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

become a part of the hearing record. The administrative materials may be provided in written

or electronic form. Objections to inclusion or exclusion of administrative materials may be

made before or during the hearing. Rulings on unresolved objections shall be made by the

Amendments to the text of this ordinance, any other development regulation authorized by

G.S. Chap. 160D, or to the zoning map shall may be made in accordance with the provisions of this article.

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(b) As provided in NCGS § 160D-108, land development regulations or amendments thereto shall not, without the written consent of the property owner, be applicable or enforceable with when a vested right has been established prior to the enactment or amendment of the land development regulation making the change so long as the vested right applies. As provided in G.S. 160A 385(b), amendments, modifications, supplements, repeal or other changes in land use regulations and restrictions and development boundaries shall not be applicable or enforceable without consent of the owner with regard to building and uses for which either (i) a building permit has been issued pursuant to G.S. 160A 417 prior to the enactment of the ordinance making the change or changes as long as the permit remains valid and unexpired pursuant to G.S. 160A 418 and unrevoked pursuant to G.S. 160A 422 or (ii) a vested right has been established pursuant to G.S. 160A 385.1 and the provisions of section 25-8 of this ordinance and such vested right remains valid and unexpired.

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PART 61. That Sec. 25-2. - Initiation of amendments. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

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- (a) Whenever a request to amend this ordinance, any other development regulation authorized by G.S. Chap. 160D, a comprehensive or land-use plan or the zoning map is initiated by the town commissioners, the Planning and Zoning Board, the Board of Adjustment, or the town administration, the zoning administrator in possible consultation with the town attorney shall draft an appropriate ordinance amendment. The Board of Commissioners shall set a date for a public hearing.
- 28 (b) Any other person may also petition the town commissioners to amend this ordinance, any other development regulation authorized by G.S. Chap. 160D, a comprehensive or land-use plan or the zoning map (see fee schedule). The petition shall be filed with the administrator and shall include, among the information deemed relevant by the administrator:

 (1) The pages address and the second of the commissioners to amend this ordinance, any other development regulation authorized by G.S. Chap. 160D, a comprehensive or land-use and shall include, among the information deemed relevant by the administrator:
 - (1) The name, address, and phone number of the applicant;
 - (2) A legal description and a scaled map of the land affected by the amendment if a change in zoning district classification is proposed; and
 - (3) A description of the proposed map change or a summary of the specific objective of any proposed change in the text of this ordinance, comprehensive or land-use plan, or other development regulation authorized by G.S. Chap. 160D.
- 38 (c) Petitions must be received at least 30 days prior to the next regularly scheduled Planning and Zoning Board meeting.
- 40 (d) No amendment to zoning regulations or a zoning map that down-zones property shall be
 41 initiated nor is it enforceable without the written consent of all property owners whose
 42 property is the subject of the down-zoning amendment, unless the down-zoning amendment
 43 is initiated by the town. For purposes of this section, "down-zoning" means a zoning
 44 ordinance that affects an area of land in one of the following ways:
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 - (1) By decreasing the development density of the land to be less dense than was allowed under its previous usage.

(2) By reducing the permitted uses of the land that are specified in a zoning ordinance or land development regulation to fewer uses than were allowed under its previous usage.

PART 62. That Sec. 25-3. - Planning and Zoning Board consideration of proposed amendments. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

All proposed amendments to this ordinance, any other development regulation authorized by G.S. Chap. 160D, a comprehensive or land-use plan or the zoning map shall be referred to the Planning and Zoning Board for review and comment consideration and recommendation. At any time on any matter the Planning and Zoning Board may call a public hearing on any matter. When conducting a review of proposed zoning text or map amendments, the Planning and Zoning Board shall advise and comment on whether the proposed action is consistent with any comprehensive plan that has been adopted and any other officially adopted plan that is applicable. The Planning and Zoning Board shall provide a written recommendation to the town commissioners that addresses plan consistency and other matters as deemed appropriate by the Planning and Zoning Board, but a comment by the Planning and Zoning Board that a proposed amendment is inconsistent with the comprehensive plan shall not preclude consideration or approval of the proposed amendment by the town commissioners. If a zoning map amendment qualifies as a "large-scale rezoning" under G.S. 160D-602(b), the Planning and Zoning Board statement describing plan consistency may address the overall rezoning and describe how the analysis and policies in the relevant adopted plans were considered in the recommendation made.

PART 63. That Sec. 25-4. - Hearing required; notice. of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) No ordinance that amends any of the provisions of this ordinance, any other development regulation authorized by G.S. Chap. 160D, a comprehensive or land-use plan or the zoning map may be adopted until a public hearing has been held on such ordinance.

The administrator shall publish a notice of the public hearing on any ordinance that amends the provisions of this ordinance, any other development regulation authorized by G.S. Chap. 160D, a comprehensive or land-use plan or the zoning map once a week for two successive calendar weeks in a newspaper having general circulation in the area. The notice shall be published for the first time not less than 1015 days or more than 25 days before the date fixed for the hearing. In computing this period the date of publication shall not be counted but the date of the hearing shall be counted.

With respect to zoning map amendments, the administrator shall mail the owners of affected parcels of land and the owners of all parcels of land abutting that parcel of land a notice of the hearing on a proposed zoning map amendment by first-class mail at the last addresses listed for such owners on the county tax abstracts. For the purpose of this section, properties are "abutting" even if separated by a street, railroad, or other transportation corridor. This notice must be deposited in the mail at least 10 but not more than 25 days prior to the date of the hearing, written notice of the public hearing by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the record owners for tax purposes of all properties whose zoning district classification is changed by the proposed amendment and a first class notification of the public hearing to the owners of all properties any portion of which is immediately adjacent to it or, within 100 feet of the property rezoned by the amendment. The town shall also prominently post a notice of the hearing on the site proposed for the amendment or on

an adjacent public street or highway right-of-way. The notice shall be posted within the same 1 2 time period specified for mailed notices of the hearing. When multiple parcels are included 3 within a proposed zoning map amendment, a posting on each individual parcel is not required but the local government shall post sufficient notices to provide reasonable notice to 4 5 interested persons. For large-scale zoning map amendments, the town may follow the 6 optional mailing notice procedures under G.S. 160D-602(b).

- 7 The public notice to the newspaper and property owners required by this section shall: 8
 - State the date, time, and place of the public hearing;

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- Summarize the nature and character of the proposed change; (2)
 - State that the full text of the amendment can be obtained from the administrator; and (3)
- 11 State that substantial changes in the proposed amendment may be made following the (4) 12 public hearing.
- 13 The person or persons mailing and posting notices to adjoining property owners, as defined in G.S. 160D 602 160A 384, shall certify to the town commissioners that fact 14 15

16 PART 64. That Sec. 25-5. - Town commissioners' action on amendments. of the Zoning 17 Ordinance of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 18

19 After receiving a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board on a proposed 20 amendment to this ordinance, any other development regulation authorized by G.S. Chap. 21 160D, a comprehensive or land-use plan or the zoning map, the town commissioners may 22 proceed to vote on the proposed ordinance amendment, refer it to a committee for further 23 study, or take any other action consistent with its usual rules of procedure. 24

If no written report is received from the Planning and Zoning Board within 30 days of referral of the amendment to that board, the governing board may act on the amendment without the planning board report. The town commissioners shall await the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Board before taking action on a proposed amendment, but the The town commissioners are not bound by any recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Board that are before it at the time it takes action on a proposed amendment.

31 The town commissioners are required to take final action on an amendment within a 32 reasonable time 65 days proceeding the first meeting of the Board of Commissioners to 33 consider the application, since inordinate delays can result in the applicant incurring 34 unnecessary costs. This provision need not apply to an amendment initiated by the town 35 itself.

36 Voting on amendments to this ordinance shall proceed in accordance with G.S. 160A-75 (d) 37 and G.S. 160D-601 the same manner as other ordinances, subject to section 25-7.

38 When adopting or rejecting any zoning text or map amendment, the town commissioners 39 shall approve a brief statement describing whether its action is consistent or inconsistent 40 with an adopted comprehensive plan. The requirement for a plan consistency statement may 41 also be met by a clear indication in the minutes of the town commissioners that at the time of 42 action on the amendment the town commissioners were aware of and considered the 43 Planning and Zoning Board's recommendations and any relevant portions of an adopted 44 comprehensive plan. If a zoning map amendment is adopted and the action was deemed

G.S. 143-755 applies and the applicant may exercise the permitting choices provided for therein.

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(a) Requests to establish vested rights according to G.S. § 160A-385.1 shall provide the 1 2 information required for a special conditional use permit request and shall follow the 3 amendment procedure outlined in this article. (b) Vested rights may be terminated in any of the following ways: 4 5 (1) The landowner agrees, in writing to relinquish the vested right; 6 (2) After notice and hearing the town commissioners determine that there are natural or 7 manmade hazards that would pose a serious threat to the public health, safety, and 8 welfare if the project were to proceed as contemplated in the site specific development 9 plan; 10 (3) Upon payment to the affected landowner of compensation for all costs, expenses, and 11 other losses incurred by the landowner, including, but not limited to, all fees paid in 12 consideration of financing, and all architectural, planning, marketing, legal, and other 13 consultant fees incurred after approval by the town, together with interest thereon at the 14 legal rate until paid. Compensation shall not include any diminution in the value of the 15 property which is caused by such action; 16 (4) Upon findings by the town commissioners, after notice and a hearing, that the 17 landowner or his representative intentionally supplied inaccurate information or made 18 material misrepresentations which made a difference in the approval of the site specific 19 development plan; 20 (5) Upon the enactment or promulgation of a state or federal law or regulation that 21 precludes development as contemplated in the site specific development plan, in which 22 case the approval authority may modify the affected provisions, upon a finding that the 23 change in state or federal law has a fundamental effect on the plan, by ordinance after 24 notice and hearing; or (6) At the end of the applicable vesting period with respect to buildings and uses for which no 25 26 valid building permit applications have been filed. 27 28 PART 68. That Sec. 26-41. - Sedimentation and erosion control. of the Zoning Ordinance 29 of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows: 30 31 No zoning or special conditional use permit may be issued and final plat approval for 32 subdivisions may not be given with respect to any development that would cause land 33 disturbing activity requiring prior approval of an erosion and sedimentation control plan by 34 the North Carolina Sedimentation Control Commission under G.S. 113A-57(4) unless the commission has certified to the town, either that: 35 36 37 38

ARTICLE IV. Amendment of Town Code of Ordinances

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Board of Commissioners of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina, that the Town's Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

That Sec. 2-204. Powers and duties. of the Town Code of Ordinances, Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

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It shall be the duty of the town planning and zoning board to prepare plans and to coordinate the plans of the town and those of others so as to bring about a coordinated and harmonious development of the area. The planning and zoning board is hereby designated as the planning agency for the preparation of a zoning plan for the town under the authority of G.S. 160D-301160A-387. In addition, the planning board is empowered to:

PART 2. That Sec. 10-3. Building permit required; fees. of the Town Code of Ordinances, Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

No person shall, within the town, commence with any form of development where permits are required by the State Building Code and any other State or local laws applicable to the development without first securing all such required permits, including, but not limited to erect, construct or demolish, or commence the erection, construction or demolition, or alter or commence the alteration of any type of building without first obtaining a building permits in accordance with the provisions and procedures set forth in N.C.G.S. Chap. 160D and the town zoning ordinance. The schedule of building permit fees is on file and available in the town offices.

20 (Code 1972, § 4-6)

State law reference(s)—Building permits, G.S. Chap. 160D, Art. 11 160A-417 160A-423.

PART 3. That Sec. 10-4. Installation of utility lines. of the Town Code of Ordinances, Town of Manteo, North Carolina, is hereby amended as follows:

<u>Installation of utility lines shall be performed in accordance with Sec. 20-2 of the Town of Manteo Zoning Ordinance.</u>

(a) Electric power, telephone, cable television and natural gas lines are to be installed by agreement between the property owner and the appropriate utility company and such installation must conform to the standards provided by the respective utility company. The execution of such agreement by the property owner and the utility company, even though such lines are not physically installed at the time of submission of plans to the planning and zoning board for review, may be deemed necessary by the planning and zoning board for the purpose of final approval.

(b) The installation of electric power, cable television and telephone lines beneath the surface of the ground is mandatory unless those lines can follow existing pathways as in updating, replacing or adding service. At such time as main service utilities are put underground, then all utilities must go underground.

(c) All new service drops and service connections must go underground.

 (d) Prior to the installation of any electric power, cable television or telephone lines, either overhead or below ground, whether new service, service upgrade, service repair or service replacement, no work may begin until a permit has been applied for and obtained from the town. In addition, any utility work which may cause a blockage or partial blockage of any right of way must be reported to the town police department at least 24 hours prior to commencement of any

work.

ARTICLE V. Statement of Consistency with Comprehensive Plan and Reasonableness.

The Town's adoption of this ordinance amendment is consistent with the Town's adopted comprehensive zoning ordinance, land use plan and any other officially adopted plan that is applicable. For all of the above-stated reasons and any additional reasons supporting the Town's adoption of this ordinance amendment, the Town considers the adoption of this ordinance amendment to be reasonable and in the public interest.

ARTICLE VI. Severability.

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All Town ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance amendment are hereby repealed. Should a court of competent jurisdiction declare this ordinance amendment or any part thereof to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance amendment nor the Zoning Ordinance or Town Code of the Town of Manteo, North Carolina which shall remain in full force and effect.

ARTICLE VII. Effective Date.

This ordinance	e amendment	shall be in full force and effect from and after the 11	,
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June 14, 2021 Date adopted:

27 Motion to adopt by Commissioner Motion seconded by Commissioner 28 29

Vote: 5 AYES O NAYS

Bobby Owens, Mayor